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STREET IMPROVEMENT LAW.

It is now six months since the completion of the McComb Map of the Township of Bloomfield. That was only preliminary to other more important steps which were ex pected to follow, and which it was presumed would have a far reaching influence upon the future of our town. But we have not learned that the present Township Committee, upon whom it devolves to go forward with the work, have done anything in carrying out the designs of the law.

We have heard many inquiries as to the probability of the Committee taking any action in the case. Not being advised ourselves, we of course could give no information. We have indeed expressed the belief that something would soon be done, and have even hazarded the opinion that the Committee could not much longer delay action without culpability. They may have good reasons for this unexpected delay, but it seems reasonable that the public curiosity and anxiety should be satisfied by some official explanation; and we respectfully submit that the Township Committee owe it to their constituents to furnish it without delay.

What has become of the \$2,500 map which the tax-payers have paid for though very few of them have ever seen it? Their examination of it would perhaps be deemed of little consequence if they were realizing the legitimate fruits of the expenditure in the progress which the law contemplated.

The desire which the township commit tee evince to avoid as far as possible, inaugurating any measures which would involve expense and increase the burdens of the people, we can well appreciate and commend. But it has been supposed, and indeed suggested by one of the wisest members of the Committee, that much important work can now be done in furthering the purpose of the law and the interests of the town without entailing any immediate or considerable expense.

There are a number of streets that it is and possibly some new streets will be dethat these improvements should be desig- and profit. nated by authority and the lines fixed with as little delay as possible. Other valuable improvements, dependent on these, would speedily follow and a healthful impetus be given to our village progress. At present, the uncertainty respecting the openings and lines, and termini of streets, is a bar to improvement and weakens confidence in the advancement of the town, and discredits the village.

Our Town Committee must excuse us i we say that their neglect in forwarding the measures of the street improvement law, is liable to be interpreted to their discredit. It cannot be attributed to motives of economy, for it is not easy to see where expense would be incurred except for the additional meetings of the town council required for its consideration. It is not necessary for us to suggest other possible motives. If the Committee have conceived that intelligent citizens are indifferent to it we think they are mistaken. We are satisfied that the extension of Beach street across the Canal to Walnut street; of Liberty street east to Williamson Avenue and west to Ridgewood Avenue; of Fremont street to Bloomfield Avenue, and no doubt others, are not matters of indifference to the people of Bloomfield, and no observing man will entertain a doubt of it being done sooner or later. It may not be needful or wise to push its consummation at once, but who will question the great advantage to the future of the town to have these obvious wants officially recognized and the character and direction of improvements guided by such official

House FURNISHING GOODS,-If any of

Oil-cloth, Matting, Rugs, Mats, Mattrasses, enter at once on their fields of labor- Mr. tery, brittania goods, wood and willow this State. Mr. George Loock was dismissetc, etc, etc, etc.

A remarkable stock-with a wonderful variety of everything pertaining to the useful, and much that is also ornamental, in housekeeping. We can commend these young men as deserving of confidence and of our readers will become their custo- pastor at Bergen Point. Mr. William A.

HECKER AND BROTHER.-This known firm has long been engaged in the Flouring Business in New York.

Their manufacture includes three grades of wheat flour-also Graham, Rye, Indian, and Buckwheat in its season. They make a specialty in putting up flour packages of one-eight, one-quarter, and one-half bargeneral reader, but of special value to cit-izens of the county and of real importance to Another specialty is their self-raising flour Another specialty is their self-raising flour of three brands put up in 3lb, and 6lb.

Their Farina, cracked wheat and Hominy have acquired a very wide and well Rich-, who is supplying the German established reputation. They can be found churches of Myersville, and Morristown at all respectable stores in Bloomfield and Montelair and at Bragaw and Bates 474 Broad street Newark.

LIGHTNING RODS-PUMPS. - For either of these necessities we confidently recommend will be received and forwarded by the our readers to call on J. D. WEST & Co.. at 40 Courtlandt Street, New York. They will be sure to get just what they need and at reasonable prices.

> It is passing strange that of all the many teachers in weekly receipt of the GAZETTE none, with one or two exceptions, has anything to relate of experience in their interesting field. The sea of faces greeting them day after day should prove a fruitful text. The consciousness that they are moulding the next generation should run clear sparkling streams beneath the surface of worry and care of the teachers' minds and issue in springs of valuable experience at which every fellow-worker might quench the thirst of an inquiring and sympathetic mind. That the teachers of Essex county have both ability and experience to make an educational column really interesting to themselves and to the subscribers of the GAZETTE, is not to be doubted. Perhaps they are too modestlack assurance-or would become frightened to find themselves in print. However ing and we shall be glad to make on

MONTCLAIR RAILWAY.

paper their medium.

NEW TIME TABLE.—The Montclair Rail compliments to the GAZETTE readers in the many of our citizens when they were cut ance of every member of the Board. off from its tacilities, and we shall all re-

Mr. G. W. N. Custis, the present Supering from MONTCLAIR for New York at 7.53 section one of the proposed building. and 8.53 A. M. and 2.14 P. M .- and returnand 3.50 and 5.30 P. M.

Jersey Midland train for Middletown, New

Our toast for this occasion is- The Mont- 200 copies of the By Laws. well known must be extended before long. clair Railway-may 'it have an unending There are others that should be widened; life, and its owners and patrons enjoy an

HOME MATTERS

BLOOMFIELD. WEATHER CHRONICLE.

Range of Thermometer at Bloomfield Centre, 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 At 6 A. M. 75º 709 79º 72º 72º 709 72º At Noon 900 850 800 770 820 844 890 At 9 P.M. 749 729 709 750 709 729 819

PUBLIC SCHOOL MEETING.

At the meeting on Monday evening last, Mr. J. F. Sanxay in the chair, there was a free discussion of matters of interest connected with our schools,

Mr. John Sherman, treasurer, presented reports of receipts and expenditures, the former amounting to \$23,180.84 and the latter to \$23, 102.87 leaving a balance of cash on hand \$77.97.

The school property of this district Comprises three commodious buildings and grounds valued respectively at \$84,000, \$8,250 and \$7,500.

The salaries of teachers in all the schools have amounted in the aggregate to \$10 .-

The appropriation voted for the ensuing

For other school Purposes \$5.500

\$13.000 Besides which will be drawn from the state about 5.500 On first Monday in August a new board of trustees will be elected.

GERMAN THROLOGICAL SCHOOL -- BLOOM-PIRED-ORDINATION AND LICENSURE. our readers are at a loss to know what this The Presbytery of Newark at its meeting term comprehends let them scan Baldwin on Wednesday the 7th inst, examined the and Meeker's advertisement in our column, recent graduates of the German Theologior, better yet, let them visit their cutab- cal School, with a view to their ordination. lishment in Broad street, Newalk (No. 464) Mr. Frederick B. Hanle, and Mr. Adolph fined \$30 and costs of court. near the Morris and Essex Depot. They A. E. A. Wanderer were ordained at the Henry Wagner drunk and disorderly,

Spring beds, Window shades, French and Hanle, at Holyoke, Mass., and Mr. Wan- \$5 by Justice Pillabury. English China, cut glass, plated ware, cut- derer, at Swedesboro, in the lower part of ware, kitchen hardware, window shades ed to the Presbytery of Hudson, to be ordained by that body, from a church in which, at Clarkstown, he has received a call. Mr. Gerhardt I. W. Landau, was dismissed for the same reason to the Classis of South Bergen of the Reformed (Dutch) Church, under whose direction he will lapatronage, and we sincerely hope that many bor as a missionary in Jersey City, and as a Nordt, and Mr. Julius Wolff will be ordained at the Second German Presbyterian well Church in Newark, on Wednesday evening next. Mr. Nordt will at the same time be installed as the Pastor of the Church. Mr. Wolff goes to do missionary work in connection with the Fourteenth Mission School of Dr. John Hall's Church, in New York Mr. August Stange, whose examination for ordination was approved, is laboring temporarily in Livingston. Mr. Henry Web er, who goes to Germany to study a year Class of the Montclair High School was under Dr. Christlieb, was licensed.

The following members of the coming Mr. Frederick E. Vogelin, who is supply ing the Third German Church of Newark. -Rev. Dr. Seibert's old church-and Mr John Rudolph and Ludwig Ulmer, who preach occasionally.

TOWN COUNCIL BLOOMFIELD. Regular meeting day was last Friday,

Probably most of the members were or

hand. They generally are. There is considerable business ught to be done and will be sometime. Our informant has failed to report the proof smoke, but are not sure as to the fire.

The Council are supposed to be cogitat ing on the status of the Street Improvement question.

BLOOMFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIA-

The Directors of the Library Association met Monday evening and transacted considerable business.

The Committee on Buildings who were nstructed two weeks ago to submit additional plans for a building, presented s plan containing several new and valuable features. The building on this plan would cost considerably more than the amount that may be, we feel sure they all have a named as the cost of the building on any reserve fund of experience worth publish- previously proposed plan, but it is so de- nature, have won for themselves the esvised as to admit of being built in sec- teem of the community. tions, so not necessitating the expenditure of the whole amount at once, if not advisable. The Committee's report also contained a resolution, for the consideration after three months and twenty days fitful action in building. After some consideraslumber and disturbed repose, presents its tion, definite action on the plan and report was deferred until next Monday evening, new time table which will be found in our 20th inst., to give further time for considcolumns. It was a great disappointment to eration and to secure if possible the attend-

The Finance Committee were instructed joice to be assured that its tribulations are to report at next meeting, whether, in raised from subscriptions to the capital gave honor to the day. intendent, promises to set the trains run- stock or other sources to justify an expendning on Monday next, the 20th. inst., start- iture this season of \$20,000, in erecting on Saturday, the 11th inst. The Dominie

ing from Courtland street at 11.40 A. M. rendered their report submitting a set of Blackburn. May their days be many and By Laws for the government of the Board happy! The 3.50 P. M. train from New York runs and the Association. The different Ar-Secretary was authorized to have printed fear.

> Some conversation took place as to the necessity of full meetings of the Board to henceforth give attention to the matter welcome. and work with the Board, or resign, that their places may be filled with men ready to devote time to the work, as a full Board is very desirable.

It was decided to invite the architect who drew the plans submitted to the Committee, to meet with the Board next Monday evening and give such information regarding his plan as may be desired.

As the question of adopting th report will then be decided it is hoped and expected that the next meeting will be fullevery Director present.

MONTCLAIR. TOWN COUNCIL-MONTCLAIR.

Regular Session, July 15. All the members present. Minutes of ast meeting read and approved. The following bills audited and ordered

to be paid: Night Patrol. Town Clerk for recording Roads. Contract for paving gutters on Union street awarded to Michael Higgins. To be done under direction of Messrs. Taylor and

Town Clerk ordered to issue a proclama tion for restraining the freedom of dogs.

MONTCLAIR PATROL REPORT. ARRESTED AND DISPOSED OF AS FOL-

John Shea, New York thief, sent to County Jail for 30 days.

Michael O'Brien, sent to County Jail for 20 days, as a vagrant. John Gorman, from New York, suspi clous character, had set of tools with him sent to County Jail for 60 days. James Murray, disorderly and drunk,

fined \$10 by Justice Crane. Michael Higgins, assault and battery,

will find Furniture, Carpets, Druggets, time so as to give them an opportunity t fined \$20 by Justice Pillsbury.

James Clark, drunk and disorderly fined she wouldn't do it. This she whispered SUMMARY.

At different times vagrants sent to New

139 corner loafers, removed.

4 Disputes and disturbances, settled. 5 Complaints from ladies insulted receiv

omplaints. 7 attempts at burglary during the month

rustrated.

A REMINISCENCE. Last Thursday evening was the occasion of one of those pleasant social gatherings by which the turning-points in the history of a class may be so happily commemorat ed. A supper in honor of the Graduating given on th t evening by the Junior Class in the School building. In spite of many Senior Class were licensed; Mr. John difficulties the Committee succeeded in furnishing a most agreeable entertainment, and one which will long afford a subject for pleasant reminiscences to members of both classes.

> After a pleasant social chat and promenade the company, consisting of the two classes and the teachers of the High School, proceeded to the supper-room, where a nost tempting and substantial welcome awaited them.

After supper, toasts expressing goodwill and friendship for present and past members were drank in a beverage which cheered without inebriating. When these had been happily responded to, and a parting but the committee knew the labor it was song had been sung the company withdrew ceedings. We know there was a good deal to the large Assembly Hall. Here a little time was spent sociably, and then all proceeded homeward, feeling that "75 had woven another bright thread in the school nemories of the Class of '74.

For the Saturday Gazette. VERONA-PEARL OF THE VALLEY.

This usually quiet little town, seems to have forgotten its old habits, and is all astir with life. Bloomfield Avenue is tele fordized through the village, and looks really beautiful. The contrast is so great, to what it was one year ago, that Verona can justly aspire to the title of PEARL OF THE VALLEY.

Our new citizens-the Italians-by their industry and economy, and general good

The parsonage of the M. E. church, as well as the houses adjoining, owned by Mrs. King, is being extensively enlarged and beautified. The property will be the way, thoroughly awakened and aroused of the Board, looking toward immediate most attractive and valuable in the town when completed. The work is being done by our enterprising citizen, Hiram Cook, Esq. Mr. Cook combines the rare advantage of being a good architect as well as builder.

> The Fourth of July was celebrated here with much fervor-an oration by C. C. Stutts, Esq., and the Declaration read by Dr. H. B. Whitehorne. Both the speaking their judgment, sufficient means could be and reading was handsomely done, and

A very interesting wedding took place was called out about 9 p.m., and united for The Committee on Revision of By Laws life Mr. Asa C. Williams and Mrs. Jane

The recent rains gove new life to our through to Ringwood Mines and Monks, as ticles and Sections were considered and gardens, and they look greatly refreshed; per time-table. It also connects with New acted upon seriatim and after some slight but some of our farmers weep over musty amendments adopted as a whole. The hay. We hope it is not as bad as they

Our community has been gladdened by the presence of two old citizens of years past - Mr. Mark Scott, now Principal of uninterrupted mutuality of interest and be- and it was the opinion of those present the High School in Binghampton, and Rev. sirable and necessary. It is very important nefit, the sure promoter of popularity that Directors who have not attended any J. S. Swain, who fifteen years ago was pasmeetings since their election ought either, tor of the church here. They met a hearty

For the Saturday Gazette. HOW THE SURPRISE PARTY CAME OFF. BY MAUD MANNING.

The morning after the Surprise Party was a rainy one. The hour after breakfast in my flower garden, had to be omitted. Upon going into the nursery I found a larger pile of clothes to be mended than usual from the weeks wash, and I was just thinking of how fortunate it was that it rained, for although my hour with the flowers was lost, it gave more time for less agreeable work ; when my little daughter came up to say Mrs. Reay was below and

would like to see me.

She came up directly, and throwing off waterproof and hat, began immediately to tell about the "Surprise Party." "I said I would come and tell you all about it," she began, "and you see how faithfully I have kept my word." From your readiness to be so prompt in giving your account, I judge you must have had a very agreeable evening, I said, "Wait 'till I tell you. Three of us were a committee to go and see the house in order. A house closed for several weeks with many things packed away and no fire doesn't present a very attractive appearance in view of an evening company. However, Maggie came in, Mrs. Evans' servant, and we went to work in real earnest, and by six o'clock, dras, on May 22, came via Brindisi, and in diameter and nearly 800 ft, in height when Mrs. Evans returned, things looked much better. Maggie had been let into the secret, so we slipped out to return about to this seven days to San Francisco, nineeight o'clock. Some dozen of us met at teen days to Yokohama, the time of our 6 ft. in diameter. Another takes a ball the topic of conversation. People seemed to the gate and went in together. Mrs. Evans was very much fatigued, her husband said, and was lying down. In the days of actual travel. This time has procourse of half an hour some thirty-five of bably never yet been made by a traveller, sent to Court of Special Sessions, and then us were there, but Mrs. Evans didn't make but it is possible. Twenty-two days from her appearance. Maggie said her mistress was vexed and wouldn't come down; that competition already begun.—C. S. in New Mr. Evans had coaxed and coaxed, and York Times.

to me. Well, what was to be done. A pretty fix of it, I thought. Time passed the group in the parlor were merry and bent upon enjoyment. I thought, well I must go up and explain matters myself; maybe I can make her feel more comfortably about it. So I went right up stairs the room. Mrs. Evans said, "Henry, I can't brook it; the idea of fifty people

Mr. Eyans opened, "I've come," said

"to explain and ask pardon for doing

what we thought would please. I think

the best thing for us to do is to go away

and when we want to do anything of the

kind again be sure it will be acceptable. I

sincerely regret it; and, Mrs. Evans, I

trust I may be pardoned for my forward-

ness in the matter; I never met with but

one who feels as you do about this, and

the view she takes is the same as yours.

Well, we just talked it over, and she con-

cluded to go down if Mr. Evans might pay

the confectioner for the cream. So muc

accomplished, the entertainment had to be

looked after, and it was no slight matter to

people. Well, the table was all ready,

coffee made, and we were just ready

open the doors into the dining room, when

peculiar sound and Maggie's screams led

o a general rush into the kitchen. The

poiler had collapsed, because of too hot a

fire and no water in the tank! It took

some time to quiet down after that; so it

refreshments. No one but myself was

aware of Mrs. Evans' feelings, and no one

to make everything ready. And every bit

of cake left had to be returned to its own-

er, because Mrs. Evans insisted it should

be. I went home just fagged out, and a

have anything to do with another Surprise

wiser, if not a better, woman: for when

ing of how you talked.

All the parties being brought up on these coming here with their baskets of things to eat, and to crown all, a quantity of ice cream sent by them at their expense; why, pacity and vigor of Montglair to take care I never had anything of the like occur before." I rapped eagerly at the door, think-

MONTCLAIR HIGH SCHOOL.

For the Saturday Gazette,

the parties concerned.'

DEDICATED TO TE COMMITTEE OF INCORPO-

There were three men in Belleville town. Their names I need not mention, Who thought a City Charter was The thing to stop contention— So down to Trenton they did go, This band of noble brothers, And worked a Charter through the mill, Along with many others. But when they had the thing all fixed,

Like many other wonders, They found to their bewilderment, That it was full of blunders. That no provision there was made For holding Spring Elections, How, or when, or where to vote, And other great objections. They patched it up and brought it home, And showed it to the people, And said, 'a City now we've got

But the people said, "you blunderheads, Why make this great omission? This act will make a greater fuss Than did the Old Commi Then up spake all this noble band, roclaiming with all their jaw, sir, The a vereign will of poor Believille Is higher than the law, sir. They called a meeting to consult The men that pay no taxes.

With ter houses and a steeple !

ind said to them, we've now a chance To grind our little axes, We'll tax the farmers all to death And make them sell their acres. For we are the law makers. ire Department we must have And also some Surveying, And pave the Streets with granite blocks And Water Pipes be laying

And many other things we want For this great Corporation, Which we will pay for-if we can By general taxation n they opened up the ball And held a grand ele tion, And swore the Judges in themselves,

But when the votes were counted up Some folks were not elected That worked the hardest for the bill-Modoubt they felt dejected But 'twas the sovereign will you know The people were exercising, That they should throw them overbeard Was not at all surprising. Some talk there was about this time Concerning the Mayor's election, And many thought that J. L. D. Had cause for disaffection; But whether so, or whether not, It makes but little matter, The office will be vacant soon And there'll be no mud to spatter

The Council have been months at work But as yet have made no movemen To carry out their foolish plans, Or inaugurate improvements— They have good reasons for delay, This coterie of nine O! They have no means where with to pay, They have nt got the Rhino

The roads around this little town Just in the state that they were left By the glorious old commission— Full of stones and ruts and holes, Indeed it needs no showing On John street, and others you can see— Great trees and bushes growing. And fences built right in the street,

For no one cares a penny, For all these frauds and nuisances,

Although there are so many.

The city chaps want all the funds
To spend down in the village,
Outsiders they may go to grass,
They're bound their cash to pillage. But things are coming to a head, These chaps will get a shaking, We'll put them in their little beds, For all the fuse they are making, And when old Belleville once again And improvements take their natural course

STIRBUTP. AROUND THE WORLD IN 84 DAYS .- It know that our last letter was mailed from Vellore, a short distance west of Ma-City on June 28, This is virtually thirty-six days from Madras to New York. Add Hong-kong, and twelve daps to Madras, and one is around the world in eighty-four

ORIGINAL COLLOQUY.

A visitor, stopping here over the Fourth, was perusing the GAZETTE. "Well, what do you think of our town paper ?" inquired a citizen.

"First rate," replied the visitor. have read it all through, advertisements I heard the two talking as I approached and all, and I think it very interesting infrom the small number of town advertisements in it, your villages will be supposed to be small, insignificant and unenterprising. You don't seem to have markets nor bakers, nor apothecaries, nor shoe stores nor harness factory." Citizen answered Thank you for your good opinion of the GAZETTE. But I have often wondered myseif that every business carried on in town does not secure a position in its advertising columns. There are two or three markets in the village, but we have not seen them in the GAZETTE and we know little about them. That is one reason why most of our people who go to New York or Newark have got into the habit of doing

their marketing in the city." "They make a great mistake, then," the visiting gentleman. "Not making their business known by advertisement in the GAZETTE, they exclude themselves and their business from that channel of weekly lunch under the trees. In the most unintercourse and kindly communion with undo bundles of cake, etc., for forty the thousands of readers of the paper. Alienation imperceptibly grows up, and | A log fire is the only cheerful thing to sometimes antagonisms also. Then findthat their customers are few, they feel it storm, the guide apreads our lunch in a their profits up, and thus their trade is and we are hungry and tired and some of was past eleven when we partook of the hopelessly curtailed."

Citizen again replied. "You are right, short-sighted policy. It is their own fault. And it is not only damaging to the deal the village. There is no reason why alregularly supplied from the stores and markets of these villages

The dealers here should prove their libvertisement in the weekly GAZETTE and by room for horse and rider. scaling prices so low that it would be for the interest of residents to make their purchases here. The increase of business would more than make up for the diminished rate of per centage, and the annual profits would be found largely in excess of those realized now.

"I am sure of it," responded the visitor and the spirit of the people, their mutual fellow feeling, their general improvements and progress, would receive an impetu from the enterprise of the merchants, and the population would rapidly increase."

OREGON CORESPONDENCE. INCIDENTS EN ROUTE .- TO THE BIG TREES

OF MARIPOSA, CAL.

brought in safety to a protecting roof. And now let me introduce Mr. Clark-Mr. Galen Clark, a "49 er " I believe, owner of a large ranche guardian of the Yo 'Hotel" looks very like a large farmhouse and most of the bedrooms are out of doors, at least we thought so as we went from the sitting room with its bright open fire, out into the chilliness of a rainy night, in search of our sleeping rooms in another

building. Nevertheless we slept soundly and well and did ample justice, when morning Department of Parks, will probably be the came, to Mr. Clark's most excellent table. Then came preparations for the horse-back ride to the Mariposa Grove, six miles and back. A spirited mule came first upon the scene of action, and gave our guide an opportunity to display his horseman -mule-man-ship. At last, all are mount. ed, even the little three year old girl, in the arms of faithful "Tim."

The first thing is a stream to cross. Not much, we think now, but I remember looking very carefully to see where the horse placed his feet. Then came the hills to climb, and slowly through the silent forest we followed the narrow trail No sound of bird or living creature of any kind, but only the sweet breath of the pines solemn stately presence of the grand valley below and the hills beyond, call forth exclamations of how beautiful ! how grand! and yet we are awed into silence by those silent trees above us.

One after another we approach and pass the Big Trees (segnoia gigantia) and finally half at the feet of the "Grizzly Glant.", our horses walked around it, and we try to take in and comprehend the dimensions of the huge monster before us, 102 ft. in circumference just above the ground, 30 ft. That doesn't tell you how large it is, but, stand long after our lives are ended.

was originally much larger but decay has somewhat lessened his size. Not far away; stately and majestic, stands the Queen of the Forest," not as large as many only 60ft, around, but of exceeding beauty. Side by side the "Twin Sisters" are hold ing communion among the clouds, Farther on stands one whose top is stripped of caves, which with sharp pointed stem, has been well named "Satan's Spear" in memory of Milton's lines:

"To equal which, the taffest pine, Hewn on Norwegian hills, to be the mast

Of some great aminural, were but a wand," Many of the trees are yet unnamed, and for a "consideration" our guide hinted that one of our party might be immortalized, "Washington" and "Lafayette" have been remembered and not far away are "Grant" and "Sherman," In this one grave are found three hundred and sixtyfive of these gigantic trees, all measuring more than 40 ft. around.

Only a few young Big trees are to be found. Probably many have been destroyed by the same fires which have so sadly marred the beauty of the old trees. Leav ing these silent monarchs to their memo ries of the unwritten past, we push on, for far alas! we are yet mortal and the saddle bags are filled with good things for our favorable damp, desolate spot to be found we stop and dismount.

be seen. The ground is covered with snow ing, by reason of many buying in the city, the clouds are heavy with an approaching necessary to charge high prices to bring most uninviting manner upon theold log, us cross. Before we have finished our repast the storm bursts upon us, first rain. my friend; and they may lay it all to their then snow, then hail, then all together and thunder and lightning at the close.

With wet feet and cold hands we reers, it is blighting to the best interests of mount our faithful steeds. They have been patiently waiting with hungry eyes. most every daily want of the ten thousand Horses are expected to live on air and Party, I'll know first if it be agreeable to people in these two towns should not be exercise in Califorina, seldom anything

Just before us stands a tree of immense size, cleft near the base. In slow proceserality and enterprise by an attractive ad- sion we ride through it, having ample

Gladly we go down the mountain side, out of the region of storms, down into the Sunny valley below and we are all happy and amiable again and ready for twenty five miles on horseback the next day, to the Yo-Semite Valley.

Mrs. A. H. B.

OUR NEW YORK CORRESPON-DENCE. THE MAYOR.

New York, July 14th, 1874. It is rather discouraging to the reformers that their mayor should be such a signal failure, From the hour that he was sworn into office Mayor Havemeyer has done nothing but give offence to all parties. The One bright afternoon in the month of men who put him in power are tho-May, four horses, drawing a carriage load roughly disappointed and crestfallen, while of people from Montclair, were toiling up his enemies are openly triumphant. Mr. a mountain side in the sierras. As they Havemeyer's prospects were really vry reached the summit, a sudden shower of brilliant at the time when he was Cl. ir snow fell softly around them. Descend- man of the Committee of 70, but now ing, the snow became a pelting rain, but he has cut his throat, politically speaking, little cared they. They were bent on having and is a dead man. There is more bitter good time and something more than a feelings against Mr. Havemeyer than rains torm would be needed to make them there was against Mr. Oakey Hall, for unhappy. Swiftly they were hurried down there was so much expected of the forthe steep hills, and very soon, with a flou- mer while of the latter no one expected rish of the whip, and a grand sweep, were anything. It is Mr. Havemeyer's utter disregarded for any opinion but his own that has been his ruin; he has a great deal of German obstinacy in his composition and does just as he pleases let the consequences Semite Valley, and obliging landlord of be what they may. His reappointment Clark's Hotel. We cannot deny that the of Charlick and Gardner after they had been convicted of malfeasance in office was the last straw on the back of the en-

during camel. There is no doubt in political circles that Governor Dix will remove our Mayor to make room for a better, seeing that he has already served the charges against him. Hon. Henry G. Stebbins, President of the Republican nominee for Mayor, but unless there is some compromise made with Tammany his election is doubtful.

The Department of Park since Mr. Stebb.ns has been its President, has been kept clear of politics, although there is a strong effort being continually made to drag it into the political arena, Mr. Havemeyer and Comptroller Green both are of Mr. Stebbin's opinion on the subject and have done and are doing all in their power to keep it as it has been kept, a department of itself entirely outside of party power.

Speaking of Parks, what a wonderful man Mr. Fred. Law Olmsted in his quiet way. To him we owe the original plan of Central Park and its carrying out; he built Prospect Park in Brooklyn, Fair-mount Park at Philadelphia, Druid Park old trees. Occasional glimpses of the in Baltimore, and many others, and now he has gone down to Washington to adora the Capitol grounds, and much they nee

it. California has sent for him, and it does seem as though a park would be nothing unless designated by Mr. Olmsted Most men when they find themself in such demand carry themselves in a way that shows at once how they appreciate their own importance, but Mr. Olmstead is as modest and unassuming as though he were not so clever a man. He is a great favo-rite in the department of Parks where his taste and judgment are inclispensable.

THE NATHAN HOUSE

business purposes and the finding of the look while one throws a stone that only bloody shirt has revived the story of the reaches the lower branches, and they are murder in all its horror and made it again last letter from Japan, ten days more to of string and measures around the tree, and think that great secrets would be brough then carries it out in a straight line, and to light by the shirt and are disappointed that it has resulted in nothing. It is said we look and wonder. At least one thou- that the reason that this house has stood sand years this tree has stood, and will yet | tenantiess since the murder is because the family asked a bigher rent than any one This is the largest tree, standing, in the cared to pay; that may be true, but it is equally true that no one would live in it as it atood. The horror of the Nathan murder whose fall must have thake the hills, still lives in the public breast; there was

The demolition of the Nathan house for

